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INSURANCE

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1. THE FOLLOWING RESPONSES ARE KEYED TO THE PARAGRAPHS IN REFTEL:

A. YES, ENTITLED "THE INSURANCE (MOTOR VEHICLES THIRD PARTY RISKS) ORDINANCE. PARTICULAR ATTENTION INVITED TO SECTIONS 4 & 5. COPY BEING POUCHED.

B. NO MINIMUM COVERAGE. IS UNLIMITED. MOST COMPANIES CHARGE ABOUT \$100 PER YEAR FOR THIS PORTION OF POLICY. ENGLISH COMMON LAW APPLIES TO THIRD PARTIES OR PROPERTY DAMAGED NATURALLY OUT OF INCIDENT. KENYA LAW STILL PERMITS DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY IF NOT WAIVED. SEE

PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES ACT. 1970, NO. 3 OF 1970
ALSO BEING POUCHED. DIPLOMATS, AS OTHERS, HOWEVER,
REQUIRED TO PRESENT CERTIFICATE OF MINIMUM OF INSURANCE
IN ORDER GET DIPLOMATIC AUTOMOBILE LICENSE PLATES.
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C. NO SPECIFIC LAW REQUIRES DIPLOMATIC MISSION VEHICLES AND VEHICLES OF DIPLOMATS BE INSURED, BUT THERE IS NONE THAT EXEMPTS EITHER FROM GENERAL REQUIREMENT SET FORTH IN PARA B ABOVE.

D. ALL EMPLYEES OF MISSION, INCLUDING AID. USIS, PC,

ETC. OBTAIN AUTO REGISTRATION, PLATES, ETC. THROUGH EMBASSY GENERAL SERVICES SECTION, AND ALL INFORMED OF LOCAL REQUIREMENTS.

E. NO.

F. NO REPUTABLE COMPANY HERE WOULD DO SO, BUT THERE ARE SAID TO BE A FEW DISCREPUTABLE FIRMS OPERATING LOCALLY.

G. PRACTICE HERE IS FOR INSURANCE COMPANY TO NEGOTIATE WITH INJURED PARTY AND IN ALMOST ALL INSTANCES SETTLEMENT REACHED OUT OF COURT. LEADING LOCAL LEGAL FIRM, WHICH EMBASSY USES WHEN NECESSARY, OTHER DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS HERE WAIVED IMMUNITY TO ASSIST INSURER IN DEFENSE.

H. NO PROBLEM SINCE THERE ARE MANY COMPETITIVE INSURERS DOING BUSINESS IN KENYA. NO ASSISTANCE REQUIRED FROM GOK.

I. COVERAGE AND PREMIUMS SAME FOR DIPLOMATS AND HOST COUNTRY NATIONALS.

J. SAME, NO DIFFERENCES.

K. NO.

L. NOT LIMITED. UNCLASSIFIED

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M. SINCE ALMOST ALL COMPANIES OPERATING IN KENYA ARE REPUTABLE FIRMS, PREVAILING SYSTEM WORKS VERY WELL.

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